



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report May 24, 2002

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 24-May-02 Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	54.14	42.90	47.31	68.03	55.96
Last week	50.33	40.28	44.91	65.90	53.18

Selected Cities Large - 24-May-02 New York 55-59 Chicago 46-50 California 76

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 20-May-02 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

		North	South South			Breaking		
	Northeast	Central	Central	Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Stock	Total
Current week	98.9	268.5	148.5	170.9	205.1	891.9	280.4	1172.3
% change PW	-9	-4	1	12	1	0	0	5

 Nest Run
 27-29
 27-31
 M 27-29

 Checks & Undergrades
 11-16
 11-18.25
 M 13-15

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 18-MAY-02.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,271,457	29,855	12,690	6,857	3,256	4,481
COKKENI WEEK	1,2/1,45/	49,000	12,090	0,057	3,230	4,401
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,260,490	29,369	12,628	6,786	3,097	4,525
LAST YEAR	1,167,435	26,823	11,667	6,310	2,359	4,100
% CHANGE PW	1	2	0	1	5	-1
% CHANGE LY	9	11	9	9	38	9
TO-DATE 2002	23,150,417	536,140	229,855	123,550	55,306	83,220
TO-DATE 2001	22,339,198	505,805	227,760	123,840	48,121	80,215
% CHANGE YTD	4	6	1	0	15	4

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.38 Previous Week: 42.29 Last Year: 41.89

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.85 Previous Week: 38.70 Last Year: 38.37

National Liquid Eggs - 24-May-02 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
Whole	15	28-30	28.43	50
Whites	14	10-15.5	11.39	74
Yolks	10	59-65	62.80	1.67

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 61 to 65 cents fob and no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 24-May-02 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

	Trucklot		Less-than-Truck	clot (min 25 cont.)
Class	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	39-45 M 41-42	41-45	49-53	48-51
$Blends^3$	Too Few To Report		63-85	_
Whites	22-32 M 22-25	22-32 M 22-25	27-45	28-31
$Yolks^4$				
Sugared	71-75 M 72-75	72-76 M 72-75	79-83	79-82
Salted	67-72 M 68-71	68-71 M 68-70	75-82	75-78

² f.o.b. shipping point

National Dried Egg Prices - 24-May-02 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.40 - 1.75	1.50 - 1.55
Yolks	1.60 - 2.00	1.70 - 1.84
Albumen, Spray Dried	1.65 - 1.95	1.70 - 1.85
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.10 - 1.35	1.12 - 1.15

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 18-May-02

Fowl Slaughtere	ed in U.S.	U.S. Fowl S	laughtered in	Canada Total	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	1,846	This week	332	This week	2,178
Last week	2,008	Last week	352	Last week	2,360
Last year	1,602	Last year	509	Last year	2,111
To Date 2002	36,887	To Date 2002	6,500	To Date 2002	43,387
To Date 2001	36,436	To Date 2001	10,152	To Date 2001	46,588

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 11-May-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	248	0	0	248
Last year	204	0	0	204
To date 2002	6,631	0	8	6,639
To date 2001	4,328	40	22	4,390

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 11-May-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	118	11	120	249
Last year	63	12	0	75
To date 2002	1,888	1,294	1,505	4,687
To date 2001	1,690	579	226	2,495

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 11-May-02

	Jumbo	X-Large	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	33	860	3,057	0	10,290	150	14,390
Last year	0	1,680	4,033	1,670	9,300	3,750	20,433
To date 2002	1,061	4,328	29,770	17,493	87,000	11,134	150,786
To date 2001	87	13,221	38,894	15,678	91,844	22,878	182,602

Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Apr-02 Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	1,514	850	4,577	3,184	10,125
Previous Month	1,561	906	6,260	2,943	11,670
Last year	3,298	493	10,015	2,078	15,884
% of Previous Month	97	94	73	108	87
% of Last Year	46	172	46	153	64

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 21-May-02 Total Layers on 01-May-02 totaled 335 million, down 1% than a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-May-02 averaged 69.4 eggs per 100 layers, slightly higher than a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-May-02 = 273.8 million, down 1% from a year ago. Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-May-02 averaged 71.5 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from 01-May-01.

30 Major Egg Production States produced 6.64 billion eggs during Apr-02, down slightly from Apr-01.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Apr-02 totaled 38.2 million, down 11% from Apr-01.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 36.0 million on 01-May-02, down 2% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 295,000 during Apr-02, down 5% from Apr-01.

30 SELECTED STATES

Table egg type layers on 01-May-02 = 257.1 million, down 1% from 01-May-01.

Eggs per 100 table egg layers on 01-May-02 = 71.8, up 1% from 01-May-01.

Layers in forced molt on 01-May-02 were 5.4%, up 6% from those in molt on 01-May-01.

Layers with molt completed on 01-May-02 were 21.4, up 3% from 01-May-01.

Layers sold during Apr-02 totaled 15.2 million, up 10% from Apr-01.

Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during Apr-02 were 4.8 million, up 7% from Apr-01.

Pullets less than 20 weeks of age on 01-May-02 = 88.7 million, down 3% from 01-May-01. Pullets added during Apr-02 = 21.0 million, down 5% from Apr-01.

For information on "Chickens and Eggs" call Tom Kruchten at (202)690-4870, office hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

WHOLE EGGS, INVITATION NO. 02, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-257

Date Issued: May 22, 2002

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell whole eggs as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Tuesday, May 28 (due to the holiday on Monday, May 27, for Federal employees). Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, May 31. Deliveries are to be made from July 1 to July 15.

This Invitation for offers to sell whole eggs is in response to the April 16 announcement by the Department to provide assistance for the egg laying industry, which has faced difficult economic times. This Invitation also includes school lunch entitlement.

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-257, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Whole Eggs dated May 2000, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX, INVITATION NO. 01, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-260 Date Issued: May 23, 2002

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell all purpose egg mix as indicated below and per the Announcement for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, June 3. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, June 7. Deliveries are to be made from July 16 to July 31.

This invitation for offers to sell all purpose egg mix is in response to the April 16 announcement by the Department to provide assistance for the egg laying industry, which has faced difficult economic times. Product must be produced under the Commodity Specification for All Purpose Egg Mix dated April 1998, as amended.

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-260; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for All Purpose Egg Mix dated April 1998, as amended; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.